Tiverton Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes of May 11, 2016

Barbara Donnelly called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

In attendance: Barbara Donnelly, Chair, Leon Hoyer, Gregg Jones, Kathy Klees Claredon, Ken Hartlaub, Jennifer Theroux, Colin Robinson, Ed Roderick, Gayle Laurence- Union Library, Ann Grealish-Rust.

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2016 Board of Trustees Meeting made by Ed Roderick and seconded by Lee Hoyer. Motion passed. Barbara introduced new Trustee Ken Hartlaub and welcomed him to the Board.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Ann Grealish-Rust. Anne gave a monthly and quarterly report. Cleaning

service is over budget. May be looking for a new service. An estimated \$13K balance for year end, this

does not include additional expenses for additional landscaping, window cleaning and rug cleaning.

The report was accepted and put on file.

Union Library: Report given by Gail Laurence. There have been problems with the fire alarm sensors

at Union. A new service has an annual fee of \$600. The Association will pay the fee. The equipment

monitors fire and cold temperatures. Knitting classes have been very successful. Lynn Perault donated

her time. Our thanks to her. The Tea's at Union have been very successful the May Tea was great. The

next Tea will be in June. There will be an open house at Union on July 9 th from 10 a.m. to 12. There

will be a Georgia O'Keefe Exhibit. The Union Library annual meeting was held on May10th.

Friends of the Tiverton Library: Report given by Ann Grealish-Rust. Currently working on the annual

Book Sale which will be held on June 25, 2016. Book collection begins on May 27, 2016. Looking for

volunteers to sort books. The Foundation Gala 110 people attended and preliminary results are about \$7,600.

Building Report: Report given by Ann Grealish-Rust and Leon Hoyer.

Plumbing issues have been

corrected at the water filler. Heating fixed in teen room. There are cracked tiles in the childrens

bathroom it is being addressed. The sidewalk has been completed and the grass seeded. The Tiverton

Library sign same colors as the building. A second book drop sign

needs to be added to the island to direct people to the book drop behind the building.

Directors Report: Ann presented the new statistical reports for the Tiverton Library. All areas are up

from last year. Staff has not been able to get to all that needs to be done because of program demands.

Presently understaffed. Losing 1 staff person 7/1/16. The cleaning service has not been satisfactory.

Hoping to look for a custodian. A letter was received from Senator Sheldon Whitehouse thanking the

Library Community Outreach. There will be a work shop Grow Smart RI at the Convention center

6/21/16. Next month is the first anniversary of the new Library on 6/11/16 there will be a meet and

greet with 25 authors also in the childrens room will be Cinderella and Spiderman and balloon animals

also there will be a cake to celebrate.

A motion was made by Kathy Klees Claredon to approve the Video surveillance policy, seconded by

Leon Hoyer. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: A discussion was held regarding the upcoming FTR (Financial Town Referendum) and

the impact that it could have on the library. Barbara wrote a letter to

the media explaining the impact

that budgets 2 and 3 would have on the library budget. Gregg will

look into signs that would say Vote

Budget 1/ Save the Library. Also friends and trustees to stand at the

polls to explain our stance. The

Friends of Tiverton Library will send out an e-blast to their members

regarding the budget, also Union

Public Library Association will put up a sandwich board regarding

the budget. Staff will not be involved.

New Business: A motion was made by Leon and seconded by Kathy

to add to the agenda to nominate

and elect a new treasurer. The motion passed unanimously. A motion

was made by Ed and seconded by

Leon to nominate Ken Hartlaub as treasurer; motion passed. Seeing

no other nominees Ken accepted

and was unanimously approved.

**Executive Session: N/A** 

The next meeting will be June 8, 2016.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.